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### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Claims 19-23 are allowed with the changes agreed to under formal examiner's amendment as shown below:

- Page 4, Claim 19, Line 1 - "method" was replaced by --computer implemented method--
- Page 5, Claim 22, Line 1 - "3" was replaced by --21--

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given by fax and in a telephone interview with BROSEMER, JEFFERY on 4/4/05.

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